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| |) For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR |
| DONALD A. BISTLINE |) SECURING A SPORTS BOARD FIN |
| |) TO A SPORTS BOARD |
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Attention:

Andrew D. Wright

Patent Examiner

Dear Mr. Wright:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of April 21, 2005, please consider the following amendment and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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